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SUBJ: GVN JANUARY 24 DECLARATION ON SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF
PARIS AGREEMENT

1. GVN DECLARATION MARKING SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF THE PARIS
AGREEMENT WILL BE MADE PUBLIC AT 0930 SAIGON TIME JANUARY 24 (0130
JANUARY 24 GMT) AT REGULAR MORNING PRESS BRIEFING. ACTION ADDRESSEES
ARE REQUESTED TO PASS TEXT OF DECLARATION TO LOCAL GVN
REPRESENTATIVES.

BEGIN TEXT:

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1. DECLARATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM ON
24 JANUARY 1975 MARKING TWO YEARS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENT
ON ENDING THE WAR AND RESTORING PEACE IN VIET-NAM.

2. ON 27 JANUARY 1973, THE AGREEMENT ON ENDING THE WAR AND RESTORING
PEACE IN VIET-NAM WAS SIGNED IN PARIS. TWO YEARS HAVE ELAPSED SINCE
THEN AND PEACE IS NOT YET RESTORED IN SOUTH VIET-NAM. WORSE STILL,

THE WAR IS RAGING AT A LEVEL EVEN HIGHER THAN BEFORE THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED* THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE PEOPLE HAVE NOT ENJOYED A SINGLE DAY OF PEACE BECAUSE OF THE COMMUNIST INCESSANT ARMED ATTACKS. THEY HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO EXERCISE THEIR RIGHT TO SELF DETERMINATION THROUGH THE FREE AND DEMOCRATIC GENERAL ELECTIONS PROVIDED FOR IN ARTICLE 9(B) OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT DUE TO THE COMMUNIST CONSTANT REFUSAL TO HOLD MEANINGFUL NEGOTIATIONS. DEATHS AND DESTRUCTIONS ARE STILL ACCUMULATING AND THE PROSPECTS FOR A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT MORE REMOTE AS EVER Owing TO THE INTRANSIGENT AND BELLOCOSE ATTITUDE OF THE COMMUNIST SIDE.

3. THE ONLY CAUSE FOR THIS DEPLORABLE SITUATION IS THE UTTER CONTEMPT SHOWN BY THE COMMUNIST SIDE FOR EVERY PROVISION OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT OF JANUARY 27, 1973. RECENTLY IT HAS GONE AS FAR AS TO LAUNCH MASSIVE AND COORDINATED OFFENSIVES AND TO CALL OPENLY FOR THE OVERTHROW OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM WHICH IS ONE OF THE SIGNATORIES OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT.

4. IN THE FACE OF THESE GRAVE AND REPEATED PROVOCATIONS, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM HAS USED THE UTMOST SELF RESTRAINT AND DISPLAYED THE MAXIMUM GOOD WILL FOR PEACE. THUS, ON NOVEMBER 7, 1974, IT HAS APPEALED TO THE COMMUNIST SIDE TO RESUME THE NEGOTIATIONS AT ONCE AND UNCONDITIONALLY. IN FACT, SINCE THE PARIS AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED UP TO THE PRESENT TIME, THE UNALTERABLE POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM HAS BEEN TO STRICTLY RESPECT AND TO SERIOUSLY IMPLEMENT THAT AGREEMENT.

5. THE RECORD CLEARLY SHOWS THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM HAS STRIVED TO IMPLEMENT ALL THE PROVISIONS OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT. INDEED IT HAS:

6. - STRICTLY OBSERVED AND MAINTAINED THE CEASE-FIRE;
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7. - DESIGNATED WITHIN THE PRESCRIBED TIME LIMIT ITS SIX POINTS OF ENTRY FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF ARMAMENTS, MUNITIONS AND WAR MATERIAL;

8. - COMPLETED THE RETURN TO THE COMMUNISTS OF ALL COMMUNIST MILITARY AND CIVILIAN PERSONNEL CAPTURED BEFORE 28 JANUARY 1973;

9. - GIVEN FULL ASSISTANCE AND COOPERATION TO THE BODIES SET UP BY THE AGREEMENT WHICH ARE THE JOINT MILITARY COMMISSION AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CONTROL AND SUPERVISION;

10. - PUT FORTH MANY CONCRETE AND CONSTRUCTIVE

PROPOSALS FOR SETTLING THE INTERNAL MATTERS OF SOUTH VIET-NAM,
SUCH AS THE HOLDING OF GENERAL ELECTIONS, AT THE LA CELLE-
ST. CLOUD MEETINGS AND THE EFFECTIVE CONTROL OF THE CEASE-
FIRE, AT THE SAIGON MEETINGS.

11. ALL THESE EFFORTS AIMED AT A CORRECT AND SPEEDY IMPLEMENTATION
OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT HAVE BEEN THWARTED BY THE NEGATIVE ATTITUDE
OF THE COMMUNIST SIDE, WHICH HAS NOT OBSERVED A SINGLE PROVISION OF
THE AGREEMENT DURING THE LAST TWO YEARS. THEY HAVE:

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12. - HAMPERED THE ACTIVITIES OF THE INTERNATIONAL
COMMISSION OF CONTROL AND SUPERVISION BY VARIOUS ACTS OF OBSTRUCTION
AND SABOTAGE, BY REFUSING TO PAY THEIR PRESCRIBED SHARES TO THE
COMMISSION'S OPERATING BUDGET.

13. - REFUSED TO ENTER INTO SERIOUS NEGOTIATIONS AT LA
CELLE-ST. CLOUD AND AT TAN SON NHAT SAIGON, ALL OF WHICH THEY
FINALLY BROKE OFF SINCE MAY AND JUNE 1974.

14. - MULTIPLIED ACTS OF TERROR AGAINST THE CIVILIAN
POPULATION IN SOUTH VIET-NAM, INCLUDING THE SHELLINGS OF SCHOOLS
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AND HOSPITALS.

15. -REFUSED TO RETURN TO THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM AND
STILL KEEP IN DETENTION 26,645 MILITARY PERSONNEL AND 70,286
CIVILIAN PERSONNEL CAPTURED BY THEM BEFORE 28 JANUARY 1973.

16. -MOST GRAVELY, THE COMMUNIST SIDE HAS COMPLETELY IGNORED
THE CEASEFIRE STIPULATED IN THE PARIS AGREEMENT. THE INK ON THE
PARIS AGREEMENT WAS HARDLY DRY WHEN COMMUNIST NORTH VIET-NAM AND
ITS SOUTHERN ARM, THE SELF STYLED "PRG" LAID BARE THEIR SCHEME
OF CONTINUING THEIR POLICY OF ARMED AGGRESSION AGAINST THE REPUBLIC
OF VIET-NAM BY ATTACKING AND SEIZING THE CUA-VIET BASE AT 8. A.M.
ON JANUARY 29,1973.

17. FROM THEN ON, IN THE PAST TWO YEARS, THERE WAS NOT A SINGLE
DAY ON WHICH THE COMMUNISTS DID NOT VIOLATE THE CEASE-FIRE BY
LAUNCHING ATTACKS AGAINST THE POSITIONS, BASES, DISTRICT TOWNS OF
THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM.

18. IN OPEN DISREGARD OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT, THE HANOI ADMINISTRATION
HAS BUILT UP ITS WAR POTENTIAL IN SOUTH VIETNAM BY ILLEGALLY
INFILTRATING INTO SOUTH VIET-NAM, THROUGH LAOS, CAMBODIA AND
THE DEMILITARIZED ZONE, 270,000 MORE MEN , A VAST AMOUNT OF ARAMENTS
INCLUDING ABOUT ONE THOUSAND ARMORED VEHICLES OF ALL TYPES,
OVER 600 FIELD ARTILLERY PIECES AND SOPHISTICATED ANTI-AIRCRAFT
WEAPONS, ALONG WITH HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF TONS OF AMMUNITIONS;
BY REPAIRING AND IMPROVING 15 AIRFIELDS IN THE AREAS TEMPORARILY
OCCUPIED BY COMMUNIST TROOPS SOUTH OF THE 17TH PARALLEL; BY
COMPLETING A NETWORK OF HIGHWAYS WHICH SERVE AS CORRIDOR FOR
INFILTRATION THROUGH THE BORDER OF LAOS, CAMBODIA AND THE
DEMILITARIZED ZONE.

19. ON 12 APRIL 1974, THE ATTACK AND SEIZURE OF TONG LE CHAN BASE
BY THE COMMUNIST NORTH VIETNAMESE TROOPS MARKED A NEW STAGE:
COMMUNIST VIOLATIONS OF THE CEASEFIRE HAVE TURNED INTO LARGE-SCALE
OFFENSIVE USING THOUSANDS OF TROOPS SUPPORTED BY ARTILLERY
AND TANKS. THE MASSIVE ATTACKS ON AND VIOLENT CAPTURE OF ALL
DISTRICT CAPITALS AND THE PROVINCE CAPITAL OF PHUOC-ONG WHICH
TOOK PLACE A FEW WEEKS AGO ARE THE LATEST INSTANCES. IT IS
CLEAR THAT THE COMMUNISTS NOW HAVE EMBARKED UPON A GENERALIZED
OFFENSIVE THE ULTIMATE AIM OF WHICH IS THE MILITARY CONQUEST OF
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SOUTH VIET-NAM, THUS MAKING A SHAM OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT.

20. ALONG WITH THE MILITARY ESCALATION, THE COMMUNIST SIDE ALSO STEPPED UP THEIR POLITICAL DEMANDS WHICH ARE COMPLETELY AT VARIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT. THE MOST INSOLENT DEMAND MADE BY THE COMMUNIST SIDE CALLS FOR THE OVERTHROW OF THE LEGAL GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM WHICH IS A SIGNATORY OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT AND WITH WHICH THE COMMUNIST SIDE MUST ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS AS HAS BEEN PRESCRIBED BY THAT ACCORD. THIS ALONE IS AN IRREFUTABLE PROOF OF THE COMMUNISTS' TOTAL LACK OF GOOD FAITH IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT.

21. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM SOLEMNLY DENOUNCES TO WORLD PUBLIC OPINION AND EARNESTLY APPEALS TO PEACE-LOVING COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES THE WORLD OVER TO CONDEMN THE ATTEMPTS OF THE HANOI ADMINISTRATION TO DESTROY THE VERY FOUNDATIONS OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT BY REVERTING TO A LARGE-SCALE WAR OF AGGRESSION AGAINST THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM.

2. IN THE VIEW OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM, ONLY THE STRICT RESPECT AND THE SERIOUS IMPLEMENTATION OF ALL PROVISIONS OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT CAN CREATE CONDITIONS CONDUCIVE TO A GENUINE PEACE IN AND TO A SATISFACTORY POLITICAL SOLUTION FOR VIET-NAM. THEREFORE THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIET-NAM IS FULLY COMMITTED TO SAFEGUARD THIS AGREEMENT AND STRONGLY DEMANDS THE COMMUNIST SIDE TO CEASE AT ONCE ALL ACTS OF WAR AND TO IMMEDIATELY RESUME WITHOUT ANY PRECONDITION THE NEGOTIATIONS AT LA CELLE-ST. CLOUD AND AT TAN SON NHAT (SAIGON).--SAIGON

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